

*Observations of Vesta made at the Natal Observatory, Durban.*  
Communicated by E. Nevill.

The following observations were made by Mr. Rendell by means of a cross-bar micrometer with the equatorial refractor, aperture 8 inches, focal length 10 feet. Magnifying power 50.

Date. 1905.	Greenwich Mean Time. h m s	Apparent Difference. Vesta minus Star.		Vesta's Approx. Hour-Angle. h m	No of Com- parisons.	Com- parison Star.
		R.A. m s	N.P.D. "			
May 23	3 54 27	+1 30.64	-8 11.3	2 3 E.	7	a
"	5 38 53	+1 32.12	-7 57.8	0 18 E.	4	a
"	6 32 2	+1 32.64	-7 29.3	0 35 W.	4	a
24	6 47 21	+1 52.26	-0 41.3	0 54 W.	7	a
25	3 54 55	+2 11.01	+5 20.9	1 55 E.	6	a
July 4	6 57 47	+3 18.25	-3 53.2	3 13 W.	2	b
13	6 51 55	+4 39.32	+1 33.7	3 32 W.	5	c

*Comparison Stars.*

		R.A. h m s	N.P.D. ° ' "
a. Lalande 22743 (Paris 14796)		12 0 47.61	79 38 27.2 (1875.0)
b. " 23608 ( " 15505)		12 31 42.27	86 1 45.3 "
c. " 23851 ( " 15726)		12 41 17.62	87 37 51.3 "

*Notes.*

The observations have not been corrected for refraction or parallax.

May 23. The following observations were obtained with the 3-inch transit instrument:—

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{R.A. of Star } a = 12 \text{ }^{\text{h}} 2 \text{ }^{\text{m}} 21.02 \\ \text{R.A. of Vesta} = 12 \text{ }^{\text{h}} 3 \text{ }^{\text{m}} 53.07 \end{array} \right\} \text{Diff.} = 1^{\text{m}} 32^{\text{s}}.05 \text{ (G.M.T.} = 5^{\text{h}} 57^{\text{m}} 10^{\text{s}})$$

July 4. Cloudy, observation doubtful.

*Natal Observatory, Durban:*  
1905 August 31.

*The Magnitude of η Argūs, 1905.* By R. T. A. Innes.

The two comparison stars used are the same as on former occasions (*Monthly Notices*, lix. p. 570), viz. C. G. A. Cluster Catalogue, No. 121, mag. 8.0, colour on Chandler's scale 8, and Gilliss 1332, mag. 7.6, colour 4. The telescope used, a 4-inch refractor, belongs to Mr. R. N. Kotze.

1905 May 20	mag. = 7.8		
„ 25	„ 7.6		
June 3	„ 7.7	colour 7	
„ 24	„ 7.55	„ 8	
„ 25	„ 7.7		
1905.5	„ 7.67	„ 7½	

The change, if any, since 1896 is quite insignificant.

*Johannesburg*: 1905 June 27.

*Ephemeris for Physical Observations of the Moon for 1906.*  
By A. C. D. Crommelin.

Greenwich Midnight. 1906.	Selenographical Colong.   Lat. of the Sun.		Geocentric Libration. Sel. Long.   Lat. of the Earth.		Physical Libration. Long.   Lat.		O.
Jan. 1	349°14	+1°04	+4°13	+4°50	+°003	+°025	335°44
2	1°30	+1°02	+2°93	+5°44	°000		336°55
3	13°46	+1°00	+1°65	+6°14	-°002		338°59
4	25°60	+0°98	+0°35	+6°57	-°003		341°52
5	37°75	+0°96	-0°89	+6°72	-°005		345°23
6	49°89	+0°93	-2°01	+6°58	-°008		349°66
7	62°02	+0°91	-2°98	+6°15	-°010		354°68
8	74°15	+0°88	-3°75	+5°42	-°012		0°09
9	86°28	+0°86	-4°33	+4°42	-°013		5°63
10	98°41	+0°82	-4°69	+3°18	-°013		11°01
11	110°53	+0°80	-4°85	+1°75	-°014		15°85
12	122°66	+0°77	-4°81	+0°21	-°015		19°85
13	134°79	+0°75	-4°57	-1°37	-°015	+°025	22°75
14	146°93	+0°72	-4°15	-2°89	-°015	+°026	24°39
15	159°07	+0°69	-3°55	-4°26	-°015		24°67
16	171°22	+0°66	-2°77	-5°40	-°014	+°026	23°59